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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

ACCESS PLATFORM FOR INTERNAL MAMMARY DISSECTION

the specification of which was filed on July 30, 1997 as U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/903,516.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application(s) on which priority is claimed.

Application Number	Country	Date of Filing	Priority Claimed	
			Yes ✓	No ✓

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

Application Number	Date of Filing	Status — Patented, Pending or Abandoned
08/604,161	02/20/96	Pending
08/619,903	03/20/96	Pending
08/787,748	01/27/97	Pending

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Title 18, United States Code, § 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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CARDIOTHORACIC SYSTEMS, INC., assignee of the application for United States Letters Patent for

ACCESS PLATFORM FOR INTERNAL MAMMARY DISSECTION

(Title)

by Charles S. Taylor, et al.

(Inventors)

filed on July 30, 1997 as U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/903,516, a copy of th assignment of which is attached hereto, does hereby appoint as attorneys of record with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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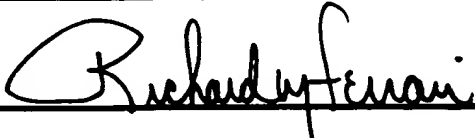
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I, the undersigned, declare that I am authorized to make this appointment on behalf of the assignee, and I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful

false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Full Name of Assignee	CARDIOTHORACIC SYSTEMS, INC.	
Post Office Address	10600 North Tantau Avenue, Cupertino, California 95014-0739	
Signature of Declarant or Assignee		Date 3/11/98
Full Name of Declarant If Other Than Assignee	Richard M. Ferrari	
Title of Declarant	President	
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Applicants: Charles S. Taylor, et al.
Serial or Patent No.: 08/903,516
Filed or Issued: July 30, 1997
For: ACCESS PLATFORM FOR INTERNAL MAMMARY DISSECTION

**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING
SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27(c))
SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN**

I hereby declare that I am an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

NAME OF CONCERN CARDIOTHORACIC SYSTEMS, INC.

ADDRESS OF CONCERN 10600 North Tantau Avenue
Cupertino, CA 95014-0739

I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third-party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed, to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention, entitled **ACCESS PLATFORM FOR INTERNAL MAMMARY DISSECTION**, by inventors CHARLES S. TAYLOR, WILLIAM N. ALDRICH, FEDERICO J. BENETTI, RICHARD S. GINN, DWIGHT P. MOREJOHN, BRENT REGAN, EUGENE E. REIS, IVAN SEPETKA, and WILLIAM F. WITT, described in the specification filed on July 30, 1997 as U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/903,516.

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

*NOTE: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27).

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☐ Individual ☐ Small Business Concern ☐ Nonprofit Organization

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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small business entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b)).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

NAME OF PERSON SIGNING Richard M. Ferrari

TITLE OF PERSON SIGNING President

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William F. WittAdditional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):

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Internal Address:

Street Address: 10600 North Tantau Avenue

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A. Patent Application No. : 08/903,516

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, we, **Charles S. Taylor**, a citizen of the United States residing at 4380 26th Street, San Francisco, California 94131; **William N. Aldrich**, a citizen of the United States residing at 111 Lexington Avenue, Redwood City, California 94062; **Federico J. Benetti**, a citizen of Argentina residing at Entre Rios, 134-6 Piso, 2000 Rosario - Santa Fe, Argentina; **Richard S. Ginn**, a citizen of the United States residing at 297 Marti Way, San Jose, California 95138; **Dwight P. Morejohn**, a citizen of the United States residing at 731 North Campus Way, Davis, California 95616; **Brent Regan**, a citizen of the United States residing at 26180 Road 97, Davis, California 95616; **Eugene E. Reis**, a citizen of the United States residing at 90 Rankin Avenue, San Jose, California 95110; **Ivan Sepetka**, a citizen of the United States residing at 346 Costello Court, Los Altos, California 94024; and **William F. Witt**, a citizen of the United States residing at 3809 Carlson Circle, Palo Alto, California 94306 (hereinafter referred to collectively as "ASSIGNORS"), have invented and own a certain invention entitled "**ACCESS PLATFORM FOR INTERNAL MAMMARY DISSECTION**," for which application for Letters Patent of the United States of America has been executed on July 30, 1997 as U.S. Application Serial No. 08/903,516; and

WHEREAS, **CARDIOTHORACIC SYSTEMS, INC.**, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of California and having its principal

place of business at **10600 North Tantau Avenue, Cupertino, California 95014-0739** (hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE"), is desirous of acquiring the exclusive right, title and interest in, to and under said invention and in, to and under Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States of America, its territorial possessions and in any and all countries foreign thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNORS hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, the full and exclusive right, title and interest to said invention and to all Letters Patent or similar legal protection, not only in the United States and its territorial possessions, but in all countries foreign thereto, to be obtained for said invention by said application or any continuation, division, renewal, substitute or reissue thereof or any legal equivalent thereof in a foreign country for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted, including all priority rights under the International Convention; and ASSIGNORS hereby authorize and request the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to issue said Letters Patent and any legal equivalent thereof to said ASSIGNEE, its successors and assigns, in accordance with this Assignment.

ASSIGNORS hereby covenant that no assignment, sale, agreement or encumbrance has been or will be made or entered into which would conflict with this Assignment.

ASSIGNORS further covenant that ASSIGNEE will, upon request of ASSIGNEE, be provided promptly with all pertinent facts and documents relating to said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and legal equivalents in foreign countries as may be known and accessible to ASSIGNORS and will testify as to the same in any interference or legal proceeding related thereto and will promptly execute and deliver to ASSIGNEE or its designated legal representative any and all papers, instruments, declarations or affidavits required to apply for, obtain, maintain, issue and enforce said application, said invention and said Letters Patent and said equivalents thereof in any foreign country which may be necessary or desirable to carry out the purposes thereof.

WITNESS my hand at Cupertino, Cal, this 10th
day of March, 1998.

Charles S. Taylor
Charles S. Taylor

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF S. Clara) ss.

On this 10th day of March, 1998, before me, a Notary Public, personally
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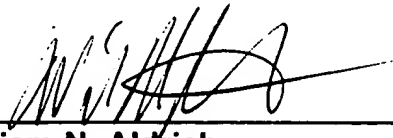
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Federico J. Benetti

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On this 9th day of March, 1998, before me, a Notary Public, personally
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Dwight P. Morejohn
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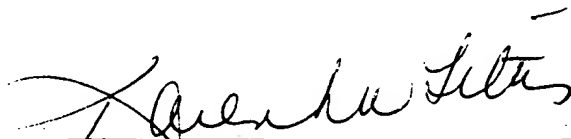
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Brent Regan

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
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WITNESS my hand at Cupertino, Ca, this 4th
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Eugene E. Reis

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On this 4th day of Feb., 1998, before me, a Notary Public, personally
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William F. Witt
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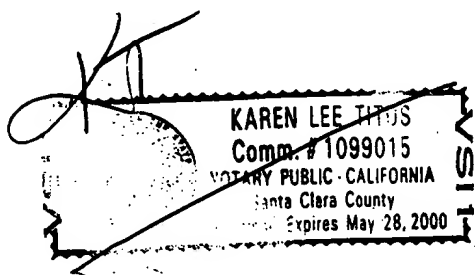
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